GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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MODERNISATION OF MILLS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to modernise the textile mills of the country in a phased manner;

(b) if so, the names of such mills, States and Territory-wise and phase-wise;

(c) the details of allocation of funds, phase-wise; and

(d) the benefits to be accrued due to this move to the workers as well as to the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES

(SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d) : Government have launched the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) which is in operation since 1.4.1999 for modernisation of textile/jute industry for a period of 5 years i.e. up to 31-03.2004. Any eligible textile/jute unit can avail of funds within the framework of the aforesaid scheme and normal financial norms of the concerned financial institution/bank. It is an open-ended scheme depending on the capacity of the industry to absorb funds in bankable and techno-economically feasible proposals. Government funding is limited to reimbursement of interest at 5% point on the interest charged by the lending agency on a project of technology upgradation in conformity with the scheme. The Scheme has only completed one year, and therefore, it is premature to draw any conclusive assessment of the Scheme